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Interview Summary

In response to the Office Action mailed January 19, 2007, Applicant initiated two telephonic interviews with the Examiner.

On February 12, 2007, Examiner Patel confirmed by telephone to the undersigned attorney that he had made an error on the Office Action Summary page, and that indeed the claims indicated at p. 5, claims 2-6, 9-13 and 17-21, are allowable (but objected to).

On March 20, 2007, Inventor Michael Allen, the undersigned attorney, and Examiner Patel held a substantive telephonic interview in which the parties discussed the merits of the rejected claims, and in particular independent claims 8, 7 and 1. The parties discussed not only the distinctions of the circuit design, but also distinguishing features of the claimed invention. Although no agreement was reached relative to the allowability of the rejected independent claims, Examiner Patel indicated that he would further review any amended claims and any associated arguments for patentability and noted that he may have to conduct a further search.

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